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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

HAMILTON HALEY,

Plaintiff - Appellant,

v.

R.J. DONOVAN CORRECTIONAL
FACILITY; D. L. JOHNSON, Correctional
Officer; B. EARLY, Associate Warden; D.
M. BARNES, Chief Deputy Warden; W.
ADAMS, Correctional Lieutenant,

Defendants - Appellees.

No. 04-56135

D.C. No. CV-02-00732-DMS

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Southern District of California
Dana M. Sabraw, District Judge, Presiding

Argued and Submitted October 18, 2005
Pasadena, California

Before: FRIEDMAN**, O'SCANNLAIN, and PAEZ, Circuit Judges.

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** The Honorable Daniel Friedman, Senior Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, sitting by designation.

Hamilton Haley appeals from the district court’s grant of summary judgment to the R.J. Donovan Correctional Facility and several of its officers on his claims that the California Department of Corrections’ enforcement of a grooming standard for male prisoners violates the Religious Land Use & Institutionalized Persons Act (“RLUIPA”), 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000cc *et seq.*, and his First Amendment Free Exercise rights. We affirm the grant of summary judgment as to Haley’s First Amendment claim, reverse as to his RLUIPA claim, and remand the case to the district court.

The district court properly analyzed Haley’s First Amendment challenge under a “reasonableness” test. *Turner v. Safley*, 482 U.S. 78, 89 (1987). As the district court found, the prison system’s asserted security-related interests are legitimate penological interests, and the grooming regulation in question is reasonably related to those interests. *Henderson v. Terhune*, 379 F.3d 709, 712-15 (9th Cir. 2004). Thus, summary judgment was appropriate for this claim.

The district court also properly identified the appropriate level of scrutiny for the grooming regulation under RLUIPA. However, in applying strict scrutiny, the district court did not have the benefit of this Court’s ruling in *Warsoldier v. Woodford*, 418 F.3d 989 (9th Cir. 2005). Although prison security constitutes a compelling government interest, the CDC has failed to meet its burden of showing that this regulation is the least restrictive means of furthering that interest. *Id.* at

998-1001. Therefore, we reverse the district court's grant of summary judgment on Haley's RLUIPA claim and remand to the district court for reconsideration in light of *Warsoldier*.

We do not address the question of qualified immunity, leaving the issue for the district court on remand.

AFFIRMED IN PART, REVERSED IN PART, AND REMANDED